

House Resolution 916

By: Representative Hatfield of the 177th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Expressing regret at the passing of James E. Blackburn, Sr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, on January 2, 2005, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest and most
3 distinguished citizens with the tragic and untimely passing of James E. Blackburn, Sr.; and
- 4 WHEREAS, this exceptional individual exhibited outstanding leadership in all of his life,
5 including his service to this state as chief of police for the City of Waycross and his long and
6 distinguished career in law enforcement and his service to his community through his
7 membership in the Second Baptist Church, the Exchange Club of Waycross, the YMCA
8 board of directors and executive board, the Frank C. Folks Lodge #92 F&AM, the Waycross
9 Shrine Club, and the board of directors of the Waycross/Ware County Chamber of
10 Commerce; and
- 11 WHEREAS, his unparalleled organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience
12 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his acute sensitivity to the needs of the citizens
13 of his community and state earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and
14 associates; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the untimely passing of this generous, kind, and devoted man leaves an
16 unfillable void in the hearts and lives of his family and friends.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
18 the members of this body express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of
19 James E. Blackburn, Sr.
- 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
21 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Bonnie Giddens Blackburn,
22 the wife of James E. Blackburn, Sr.